उसके साथ-साथ तीसरा सवाल यह है कि सचमुच में जो अनुसूचित जाति और अनुसूचित जनजाति है उनकी पेय जल की समस्या को हल करने के लिए सरकार क्या कर रही है ? उनमें जो आज भेद भाव किया जा रहा है, उसको दूर करने की दिशा में सरकार क्या कदम उठा रही है ?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय : महोदया, इस पर आधे घंटे की चर्चा करा दीजिए ।

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: You give a notice. We will Bee.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

देश में पांच तारा होटलों का खोला जाना

*184. श्री संतोष बागड़ोदिया : क्या पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सातवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना की शेष अवधि के दौरान सरकार किन-किन स्थानों पर पांच तारा और विलासमय होटलों को खोलने का विचार रखती है; और

(ख) ऐसे प्रत्येक होटल पर व्यय की जाने वाली अनुमानित धनराशि का ब्यौरा क्या है ?

शहरी विकास मंत्री तथा पर्यटन मंत्री (श्रीमती मोहसिना किदवई) : (क) और (ख) अशोक ग्रुप के होटलों की श्रृंखला में अप्राप्त कड़ी को पूरा करने के लिए भारत पर्यटन विकास निगम का भूमि की उपलब्धता पर निर्भर रहते हुए, बंबई में एक 5-स्टार होटल परियोजना स्थापित करने का प्रस्ताव है ।

Demand of Aid by Andhra Pradesh for Rice Production

*185. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHUARY:

SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will th© Minister of AGRICULTURE be pieased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Andhra Pradesh have recently approached the Central Government for an aid of Rs. 80 crores to raise the production of rice, in that state; and

(b) if so, whether the demand has since been considered by the Central Government and if so. the decision taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BHAJAN LAL): (a) and (b) The Union Government have formulated a Special Foodgrains Production Programme in consultation with 14 States and Andhra Pradesh is one of them. According a mutually agreed Special Foodgrains Production Programme, with rice as the focus c*op in 8 selected districts viz; East Godavari, Chittoor, Nalgonda, Khammam, Karimnagar; Nellore; Warrangal and West Godavari, is being implemented in Andhra Pradesh during 1988-89 with' a proposed Central assistance of Rs. 4.61 crore for increasing the production of rice.

In addition, for creating assured irrigation facilities, it is proposed to provide Rs. 6.21 crore for shallow tube-wells/dug-wells in these 8 selected districts. Under the Million wells programme for SC & ST small and marginal farmers an amount of Rs. 49.47 crore has been provided *f*™ Andhra Pradesh,

Expansion of the capacity of the Vanaspati plant, Khanna, Punjab

*186. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL. SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Punjab State Marketing Federation have recently applied for a licence to expand the capacity of the Vanaspati Plant at Khanna from 50 MT capacity to 100 MT and also for an additional licence of lOO MT per day; and

(b) it so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER. OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) Punjab State Marketing Federation submitted two applications for substantial expansion of their unit at Khanna—one from 50 TPD to lOO' TPD and tha other from 50 TPD to 150 TPD. The applications were examined. The first application has been *prima-facie* rejected. The second application stands finally rejected.

The Federation has made a representation which is under active consideration.

Development of tourism in the ccantry

*187. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRA-VARTY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pieased *to* state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Com mittes set up by the Government for evol ving a perspective plan for the develop ment bf tourism in the country has since submitted its report;

(b) If so, whether Government have examined the findings oj: the report; and

(c) what are the detail's in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVE-LOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF ■TOURISM (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KI-DWAI) : (a) The National Committee on Tourism set up to formulate a long-term perspective plan for Tourism sector is ex-pected to submit its report by the end of May, 1988.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Shortage of edible oils in the country

*188. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPEN-DRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleasd to state:

(a) whether there is a serious shortage Of edibie oil_s in the country leading to an abnormal increase in its price; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to improve its supplies and to reduce its price ?

THI! MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Keeping in view the gap between demand and supply of indigenous edible oils, the following steps have been taken by Government;

(i) Better supply management of imported, edibie oils in respect of States| Union Territories for PDS as well as) or vanaspati industry.

(ii) States have been advised repeated, ly to take stringent action against spe-culators, hoarders and other anti-social elements.

(iii) Voluntary price agreement with vanaspati industry and discussions withi oil industry.

(iv) Credit control for edibie oilseeds| oils has tighened with effect from 15.7.87 smd stock limit of edibie oils and oilseed's has been reduced under the Pulses, Edibie Oilseeds and Edibie oils (Storage Control) Order 1977.

Telecast of sponsored programmes

*189. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pieased to state whether Doordarshan propose to' gradually phase out the telecast of the sponsored programmes made by outside producers by producing these programmes itself; if so what ar© the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER. OF INFORMATION AND BROADCAS-ING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): It is the long term objective of Doordarshan to'